

Amendments to the Specification:

Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 4, lines 10-15:

-- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 illustrates particles P-4, analyzed by electron microscopy, which appear as highly deformed spherical particles with deep ridges and wrinkles.

Figure 2 illustrates particles P-5, analyzed by electron microscopy, which appear as spherical particles with wrinkled surfaces.--